



# Des Moines WoodTurners Meeting Announcement



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**DES MOINES WOODTURNERS MEETING (AAW Chapter 158)** will be held Sat, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 p.m., at the Woodsmith Store. Chapter and AAW member Brian Simmons will be our demonstrator.



Brian is planning on turning two bowls; one traditional cross grain and the other end grain. He'll discuss safe and ideal chucking methods for both but will focus on tool selection and tool application for each of the two variations. Turners of all skill levels should find this to be an informative and instructional meeting. I hope you'll plan to spend an afternoon in February with us "Talking Woodturning".

**JANUARY MEETING REVIEW** – With weather threatening, a healthy crowd of nearly 80 members and guests filled the warm seminar room at Woodsmith to hear an informative AAW presentation by member Rob Wallace and a dynamic demonstration by member Roger Nass on how to safely turn logs into turning blanks using the chainsaw and bandsaw. Roger also touched on the safest methods to mount bowl blanks on the lathe. For those that may want to contact Rob in his volunteer role as an AAW Board Member, here is his e-mail address. [rob@woodturner.org](mailto:rob@woodturner.org) You'll find the address and web site for AAW on the last page of this meeting bulletin.

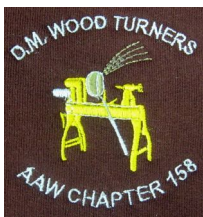
Due to the length of the two presentations, president Paul Miller postponed the showing of several tables of Show and Tell items. Please bring your items back and we'll try it again in February.

**NEW MEMBERS** - Three new members joined since the January meeting bringing our membership to 128. They were Steve Gauldin of Des Moines, Gordon Grattan of Bondurant and Chris Nickell of West Des Moines. Welcome gentlemen.

**MEMBER BOB CARFRAE PASSING** – Bob Carfrae passed away January 24th at his home. Bob has been active in woodturning and was among our most regular meeting attendees. Our sincere condolences to his family for their loss.

**DES MOINES WOODTURNERS LIBRARY** – Just a reminder to return any books or DVD's you checked out at the January meeting. Remember, DO NOT drop returned library material in the box at the front of Woodsmith. That drop box is for the Des Moines Woodworkers only. Instead, bring your returned items to the meeting room and turn them in to the librarian.

**DES MOINES WOODTURNERS WEARABLES** - Members wanting Des Moines Woodturning logos embroidered on shirts are advised to purchase shirts of their choice and style. These BRAND NEW and UNWASHED shirts can then be delivered to any board member and when enough are collected to meet minimums, they will be taken to the embroiderer. Be sure to attach a note with your name to the collar of each garment submitted. Costs to add the standard logo are \$8.00 per item. Personalized names can also be added for an additional \$6.00 per item. We need a few more items to fulfill our next order. Bring yours to the Feb meeting.



**MEMBER BUY-SELL SERVICE** – Have woodturning related items you want to buy or sell? Send an e-mail with particulars to [dmwoodturner@gmail.com](mailto:dmwoodturner@gmail.com) and we'll relay it out to all members with e-mail addresses on record.

**NEW DISCOUNT SUPPLIER** – You’ve often heard woodturners mention how they’ve created finials or other parts of a turning to look like Ebony. The most common method is to use a dye. Alcohol based leather dye is especially effective at giving a deep, penetrating solid black look. A local source will provide our members with discounts on all their products. Their name is Tandy Leather Factory at 5041 NE 14th St. It's north on NE 14th St., Exit 136 off I-80/I-35. Take the first right into the shopping center and it's to the south of Bomgaars (used to be a K-Mart years ago). That's across the street from Montana Mike's Steakhouse. Their hours are 8 till 5 Mon thru Fri and 8 till 3 on Sat. It's available in black as well as other colors you might find interesting.



Before they ring you up, show them your Des Moines Woodturners card for wholesale pricing.

**DOWN THE ROAD** – March 15th – Saturday, 1:00 pm. Monthly Des Moines Woodturners meeting will feature demonstrator Jimmy Lewis. Jimmy always comes up with very interesting projects that will make you think and test your skills. Plan on being there to see what he does this time.

**WORDS TO TURN BY - Some Light Along the Path - Glossary of Woodturning Terms**

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Woodturning has its own language, like every field of endeavor. Some words and concepts may be familiar depending on one’s background in woodworking, but many of the terms are specialized, and frankly, a bit strange-sounding! I want to focus on some of the more common terms one is likely to encounter whether reading columns like mine, or watching demonstrations. An alphabetical listing seems to be as good as any, and so I will begin at the beginning! While this is by no means an exhaustive listing, I will try to cover the most useful. Here’s the first one.

**Banjo** - This is the part on the lathe which slides along the bed and supports the tool rest. The banjo utilizes a locking mechanism to hold or clamp the tool rest base in place as needed. Most units use a simple cam/lever mechanism which rotates a plate or bar into place along the length of the banjo. (The banjo is one of the things you should test when looking at a new lathe—does it move smoothly and lock easily along the bed at various angles, as well as how solidly does it lock in place?)

The banjo needs to provide a solid support for the tool rest, and it should accept standard diameter tool rest shafts. The banjo needs to be able to be moved out of the way (or removed completely) when sanding, finishing, or carving. With the mini/midi lathes the banjos are often a weak link in terms of locking capacity or holding capacity, so be aware of their limitations.



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